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GILLESPIE FIELD

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Re: Redevelopment and Rehabilitation of Gillespie Field  
Maps and Report

Dear Sir:

The Airport Layout Plan (ALP) is a change for the best for all using this General Aviation Airport. If Gillespie is planned for moderate to heavy transient jet/turboprop aircraft use, owners/tenants occupying residences east and west of runway 27R could easily file a restrictive lawsuit to abate noise and time use of the airport.

The displaced runway threshold of 1,200 ft on runway 27Right must remain as is in order to keep all aircraft at a higher elevation on approach. Some jet and turboprop aircraft dump fuel to get down to landing weight for the length of runway available. To reduce the displaced threshold to 500 feet +/- will cause residences to complain initially and then a lawsuit. Nobody wants a restrictive airport.

Development and expansion of Gillespie Field must be for General Aviation purposes only. Industrial use (now approximately 435+ acres of the 760 acres total) took the Carson Aviation Facility to the west of the Creek and El Cajon Flying Service with my objection to no avail. I'm personally upset that the airport management, Development Council, and Board of Supervisors cater in favor of Corporations with unlimited financial backing and resources to build on Gillespie airport property.

Leasee's with established facilities should be limited in expansion of separate land for further development. The wealth of land for lease should be available for those that do not have leases, but want to lease and build new aviation facilities.

The nine (9+) acre parcel to the west of Marshall Avenue near the entrance to the control tower and just east of the Forester Flood Control Channel and the San Diego Trolley tracks should be developed by Fixed Base Operators (FBO) and transient aircraft use.

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In May 1999 I responded to a Request for Proposal (RFP) to develop the leased land for aviation use with a \$25.00 processing fee. This land was placed in abeyance for some unknown reason to this day. Why the delay? Also, a road signal crossing would have to be erected to stop vehicle traffic when aircraft transition from the main airport taxiway to the FBO parking. NOTE: Marshall Avenue transitions across designated aviation land use that was supposed to go to bid for hangar maintenance + development in the 1970ties.

There is no reason to hold the 4.5 acres of vacant land (2000-0268A) to the west of Allen Condo-Hangars and south of the airport taxiway. This land should be developed using lease funds with an improvement value around 1.2 million dollars. The County of San Diego should NOT develop this land for transient parking. A leasee could easily enter into an agreement with the County to allow for transient aircraft parking. This land is easily available and in walking distance to the Trolley Station on Weld Avenue. This potential lease could bring in revenue for the County verse the County spending money. One exception: The County may have to construct a bridge across Marshall Avenue from the main airport boundary to the aviation leased land adjacent to the flood control channel for easy pedestrian access to the Weld Trolley Station.

These are my inputs, concerns, and interest in the development and use of Gillespie Field property.

Should there be any questions, please feel free to contact me at 619-445-4882.

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Hammerstrand", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

John Hammerstrand

CC: Foreman, County Grand Jury ( Information purposes)  
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20:1 EXISTING RPZ  
APPROACH SLOPE

2000-0268A  
910'

PARCEL NO.  
98-0127-B  
5.00 AC.

388 FT

4.93 AC.

MARSHALL AVE EXTENSION  
LRT

FORRESTER CREEK  
DRAINAGE CHANNEL

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MISC. MAP 586  
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WELD STATION  
AND PARKING

LRT STATION